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Greetings:

This is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated December 10, 2004 in the above-captioned patent application. The Amendment is responsive to the Decision of the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, mailed July 20, 2004 in the above-captioned patent application.

Please amend the application as follows to place the case in condition for allowance:

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